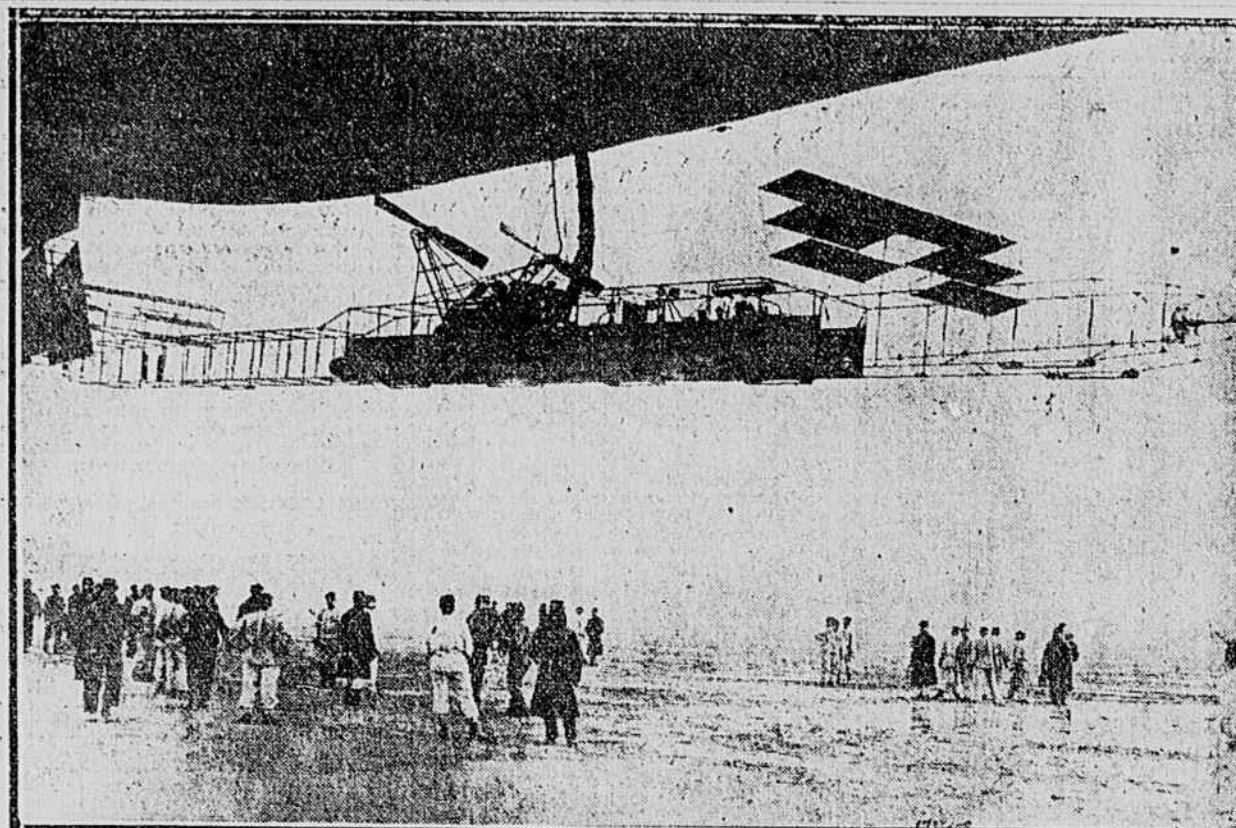


In Minor Naval Engagements Ships of Kaiser Taste Defeat



French Dirigible "Adjutant Beau."

SYMPTOMS OF PANIC IN ENGLAND SUBSIDE

Distinct Surprise to Popular Mind Is Country's Preparedness for War.

LONDON, August 5.—Symptoms of a panic over the question of food and money supplies subsided greatly today. There is general confidence that measures undertaken by the government will meet the crisis; that the money market will not collapse, and that the Atlantic route will be kept open for shipments from America.

The fact that the Cunard liner Lusitania was allowed to sail has a reassuring effect, as indicating that the admiralty is certain the navy is in a position to keep German cruisers off the area of the North Atlantic trade routes.

David Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced today in the House of Commons that the conclusion had been reached with unanimous consent of the banking and other interests that there would be no necessity to suspend specie payments.

"At the same time, it is necessary to economize with respect to the supply of gold," he said. "There is danger that selfish individuals may attempt to hoard gold. It should be made clear to them that they might inflict great injury on their country by this tremendous struggle finance will play a great part. It will be one of the most formidable weapons in this great war."

When the banks reopened on Friday, one pound and ten shilling notes to the amount of 3,000,000 pounds (\$15,000,000) will be issued through the Bank of England, and \$5,000,000 pounds daily thereafter until the supply is adequate.

distinct surprise to the popular mind was the country's apparent preparedness to change the machinery of ordinary life to a war footing on short notice. Not only is the army mobilization proceeding with great smoothness, but the government's railway service is being operated without confusion. The cricket and football grounds in a number of cities have been occupied as camps, while schools and other public buildings are being transformed into hospitals.

Critics, who always predicted a sudden war would throw the country into confusion, do not find their forebodings justified. The life of London, except for the crowd around the government buildings, was normal today. Martial law is not being enforced, except at the naval and military stations.

LONDON HAS SUBSIDED TO COMPARATIVE QUIET

LONDON, August 5.—London's life to-night on any night of the week. The demonstrators, a large proportion of whom are foreigners, have subsided into comparative quiet. A report spread by London news agencies last night that the windows of the German embassy were broken is denied. Four policemen guarded the entrance today, while across the street a few billers read the various war proclamations pasted on the walls. Workmen were seen today removing the German escutcheon from the door. A man started to hoot, but others silenced him. Several thousand German residents remained in London, and no hostility has been shown to them.

"The newspapers ask the public to treat them courteously. The German Benevolent Society is caring for families of German residents who have come to their duty. The German colonies are in something of a panic however, because many engaged in various occupations fear prejudice will be engendered by the war and ruin their business."

The American embassy and consulate, which have taken charge of German interests here find they will have to face heavy work, and it is possible their staffs will be reinforced.

BOUND FOR EUROPE

LANDED AT NORFOLK. NORFOLK, August 5.—On account of the European war, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Ross, of New Orleans, who were bound to Europe, were landed here today by the British steamer Ramona Head. The vessel was bound to Belfast and Dublin.

Mr. Ross is a member of the firm of Ross & Horn, agents for the Head Steamship Line, owned by G. Heyn & Son, of Liverpool.

Owing to conditions, the Treasury Department remitted fines aggregating \$400 to which the vessel was liable for transporting passengers from one American port to another.

Mobilizing Militia

SEATTLE, August 5.—Many militiamen are being moved from western Canada to the coast. The militia at Vancouver has been sent to Victoria. The British government has taken over the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Russia at Vancouver. She will sail for the Orient tomorrow, to be delivered to the admiralty at Hong Kong.

The liner Empress of India sailed from the Orient for Vancouver yesterday.

Prince De Croix Arrested. BRUSSELS, August 5.—Colonel Prince De Croix, a former officer of the Guards, has been arrested for espionage.

ACCUSED WOMAN TELLS HER STORY OF MURDER

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say Gordon, and said, "I hope you will tell the truth now."

"You made a good witness for yourself," they replied, encouragingly. "Well," she answered, "I have nothing to fear."

The morning session of court was taken up with the testimony of Essie and Mamie Dunkum, sixteen and twelve years old, respectively, daughters of Mrs. Hall by her first husband, Asa Dunkum, and in hearing a number of character witnesses. One of the last to be examined was N. W. Hall, father-in-law of the accused. There were many things he failed to recall when questioned by Attorney M. J. Fulton, and his flustering memory could not be whipped into activity by the urgings of the attorney for the Commonwealth. He did not remember, he swore, that he went into a room with Deputy Sheriff Trice and Mrs. Hall and examined there a quantity of bloody clothes, among which was the bolster on which Victor Hall's head rested when he lay dying. He was asked if he did not see the bolster on that occasion, and if it was not enclosed in its slip. He said that he could not recall examining the bolster, and Mr. Fulton announced that he would place on the stand Deputy Sheriff R. E. Trice to prove that the officer did, in company with N. W. Hall and Mrs. Victor Hall, examine the bolster and find it in a bloody slip.

When Mr. Trice went on the stand in the afternoon, he stated at first that he did go into the room with N. W. Hall and the defendant, that they examined the bolster, and that it was in its slip, and that the slip was very bloody.

"Is that the bolster?" asked Mr. Fulton, and the courtroom was momentarily staggered when the witness answered, "No." At his own request, he later modified his statement.

"If I had known at first," he said, "that I was to be summoned as a witness in this case, I could have sworn that the bolster was in its slip, and that the slip was very bloody. But since hearing others testify, I want to say that I can't positively swear that the bolster was in its slip, but I am under the impression that it was."

It has been the theory of the prosecution that Victor Hall's head was wrapped in a bolster as he was dragged, mortally wounded, from his bed, and that the slip was afterwards taken from the bolster and hidden or destroyed as incriminating evidence. In her own testimony later, Mrs. Hall stated that she had not gotten her laundry that week, and that was the reason why the bolster was not in its covering. She said that the officer was mistaken when he stated that he had

seen the bolster covering. It was after Mr. Trice finished his testimony that Mrs. Hall was directed to take the stand.

HER FACE PALE, BUT APPARENTLY AT EASE

"Tell the jury your story," said Attorney Hill Carter. With her veil still over her face, the accused woman walked to the stand. She was pale, but otherwise appeared perfectly at ease. Her tones were so low at first that Judge Shackelford asked her to raise her voice, and her counsel moved nearer to the seats of the prosecution, so that they could hear.

The defendant told first of being awakened to go to the Dunkum store fire, which varied in no detail from the accounts previously given and published. She said that she put a black dress on over her nightgown, and that when she returned her gown was wet. She hung it up, and, not having another one at the time, put on a kimono and went to sleep.

"Victor woke me up," she continued, "and said to me, 'There's papa at the door.' She didn't hear the knocking at the door because of partial deafness," she explained.

"Victor got up, took a nickel lamp and went out into the store. A few moments after I heard him exclaim, 'Oh, Lord,' and then the sound of a shot. I jumped up and opened the back door and called Beckie and then ran and opened the front door. I came back and found Victor behind the counter in a crumpled-up condition. Blood was running over his face and pouring out of his mouth, and I thought he was strangling. I went into my room and got the bolster and put it under his head and wiped the blood out of his mouth."

"Did the bolster have a slip?" asked Mr. Carter.

"Why?"

"Because the wash had not come."

"Do you remember when you found out that you were wanted?" asked Commonwealth's Attorney Bibb on cross-examination.

"On the Wednesday after the murder."

"Did you phone to Miss Mamie Ross then?"

"I told her about it before I phoned. It was at my house on the Wednesday night after the murder. Mrs. Hall said, in answer to my question, that she found no whiskey in the washstand after the murder, though Victor kept some there, and took a drink whenever he wanted a drink."

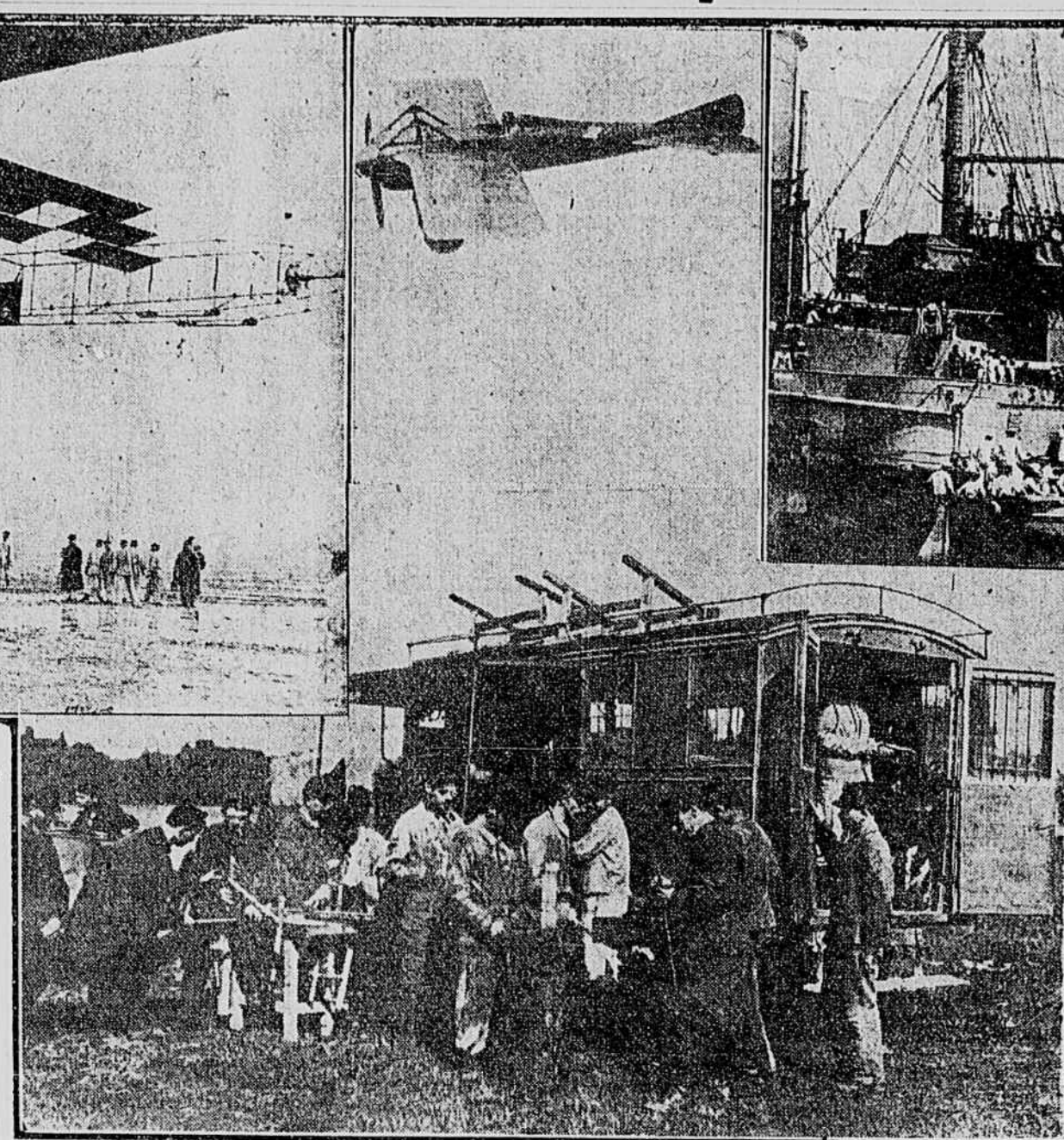
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"No. I never gave him any whiskey, beer or anything else to drink in my life. I don't remember telling her that he took a drink that night. He took it whenever he wanted it."

"Didn't you tell Miss Elsie Wood," pursued Mr. Bibb, "on the day I was there that I wanted to know a lot about the case, and was asking a lot of questions about the pistol and asked her, or suggested to her, that she had fired it once at a railroad mile post?"

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Preparing French Aeroplanes on the Field.

and as Victor had been sick, I had not been able to tend to things, and the room was not in its usual condition."

Mrs. Hall said that she did not hear Victor fall. Asked whether she spoke to him, she said:

"I did. I asked him who shot him, but he could not speak."

She said that at first she had hopes of Victor living, and that she did everything to help him, wiping the blood out of his mouth and rubbing his head and giving him other attention. She testified that he had been an affectionate and loving husband, and that he had been kind to her daughters.

HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF FIRE IN PANTRY

Questioned as to her knowledge of the pantry fire on May 14, which hurried the grand jury in returning its indictment against her and caused her arrest, Mrs. Hall said that she did not go into the back part of the house that afternoon. Somebody else, she said, locked up the house, and she did not go back again. When she returned from the home of N. W. Hall, after the fire, she found that the outer screen to the pantry window had been broken and torn off, and added that one of the blinds was fastened on the outside only by a wire nail, her testimony tending to show that, though the window had been fastened when she left, she found it possible that some enemy had broken it during her absence and started the fire.

Mrs. Hall then testified in contradiction of Deputy Sheriff Trice's statement as to the bolster slip, saying that he was mistaken in saying that the bolster had a slip, and that the bloody bolster was the only one which was in the room which Trice entered. She stated that she had all the bed clothes and the mattress on which her husband died.

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Court adjourned at this point, and the cross-examination of Mrs. Hall will continue tomorrow.

J. W. Erb, superintendent of the Richmond branch of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, testified in the morning as to the contract between the agency and Mrs. Hall, and said that it had been suggested that Mrs. Hall get the reports of the investigation from W. Sterling Hall, brother of Victor.

Miss Jennie Hall, sister of N. W. Hall, Essie and Mamie Dunkum, the accused's daughters, testified that the defendant did not go near the pantry on the afternoon of the fire, and said that her domestic relations were happy, and that she was a good woman.

J. P. Fickers testified as to the value of the store building and Mrs. Hall's stock. The former, he said, was valued at \$2,500, and he had auctioned off \$1,000 worth of stock and \$650.53 worth of her furniture. By this the defense is seeking to show that Mrs. Hall would not have set the torch to so much property. A testimonial from the Rev. Hugh H. Hudson as to Mrs. Hall's character was read.

K. W. Cornett, of Albemarle County, testified that he had not kept an account of a credit transaction by which Charles Johnston has testified that he fixed the date on which he examined Victor Hall's gun and found it fully loaded. Johnston said that he bought a package of cigarettes at Cornett's store on credit on April 6, nine days before the murder, and that he examined the gun on that date.

Other character witnesses followed. Mrs. Carrie Syman was emphatic in saying that Mrs. Hall was "a good, sincere, Christian woman," and in citing acts of kindness done by Mrs. Hall. T. A. Hancock, another character witness, said he did not like to announce his age before so many pretty young women, and then put his foot in it by admitting that he had fought through the Civil War. Mr. Gordon had laughingly withdrawn the question, but it was too late.

RELIEF MEASURES ARE IN OPERATION

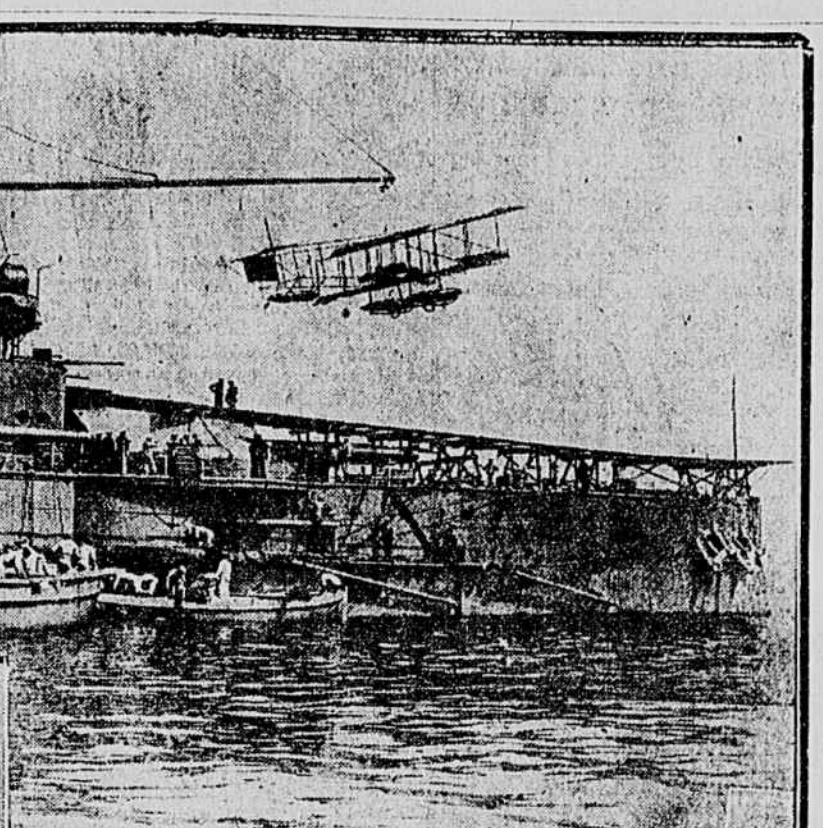
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Infuriated women, who carried off everything they could lay their hands on before the arrival of the police.

The situation has been aggravated by the throwing out of employment of 250,000 transport workers through the discontinuance of freight traffic to the Continent. It is expected, however, that many of these will find employment in the city transport service.

The post-office is flooded with mail, all the services to the Continent having been held up.

The American Line steamer Philadelphia, which sailed from Southampton for New York shortly after noon today, took all the American and Canadian mail which had been posted up to-day. Rain prevented the gathering of any great crowds late today, but the streets of Whitehall and the West End were filled with people eagerly picking every scrap of news and cheer.



Hoisting Aeroplane Aboard British Battleship.

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VATERLAND MAY BE FORBIDDEN TO SAIL

Great Vessel at Hoboken Pier, Evidently Preparing to Leave Port Shortly.

NEW YORK, August 6, 12:20 A. M.—Summary action by the United States government will probably prevent the sailing of the Vaterland today. A revenue cutter has just gone along the river front, and its officers notified the port captain of all the lines flying the flags of warring countries that their ships must not leave without due notice and without a statement to the government as to the nature of the cargoes. This move followed information that the Vaterland was secretly preparing to slip from her dock some time during the early morning hours.

The Vaterland lay at her Hoboken pier just before midnight, with steam up and her bunkers laden to their capacity with coal. A tug was at her stern. Similar preparations preceded the North German Lloyd liner, Prinz Wilhelm, which has not been heard from here since leaving port four hours in advance of the time she was to have left her berth.

Coal barges were busy all day at the side of the Vaterland. It was said provisions were being stowed aboard. At the pier the greatest secrecy was observed about the movements of the steamer and small craft about the vessel recently, because her agencies feared an attempt by hostile forces to blow her up, continued to keep all strangers off the pier. The Vaterland's decks were dark.

There were government secret service men about, according to one of the guards. What they were there for was not learned. It is assumed they were to see that the neutrality laws were not violated. It would be against the laws to take along big guns that might be used in the European conflict, or to place ammunition on board, it was pointed out.

Agents of the Hamburg-American line, to-night, denied that the Vaterland was about to sail. They explained that steam was kept up continually so that there would be no difficulty in getting the vessel away from the pier in the event of a water-front fire.

Protecting Elevators. FORT WORTH, August 5.—Fearing that attempts may be made by German agents to hamper Canadian shipping by blowing up the big freight elevators at the Great Lakes, Colonel Laurie has ordered stationed at all grain storage-houses members of the Ninety-sixth Canadian Regiment. Colonel Laurie acted on instructions from Ottawa.

Break Up Peace Meeting. SAFFRON WALDEN, ENGLAND, August 5.—A hostile crowd to-night broke up a peace meeting in the market place, stoned the independent headquarters and hauled down the red flag and burned it.

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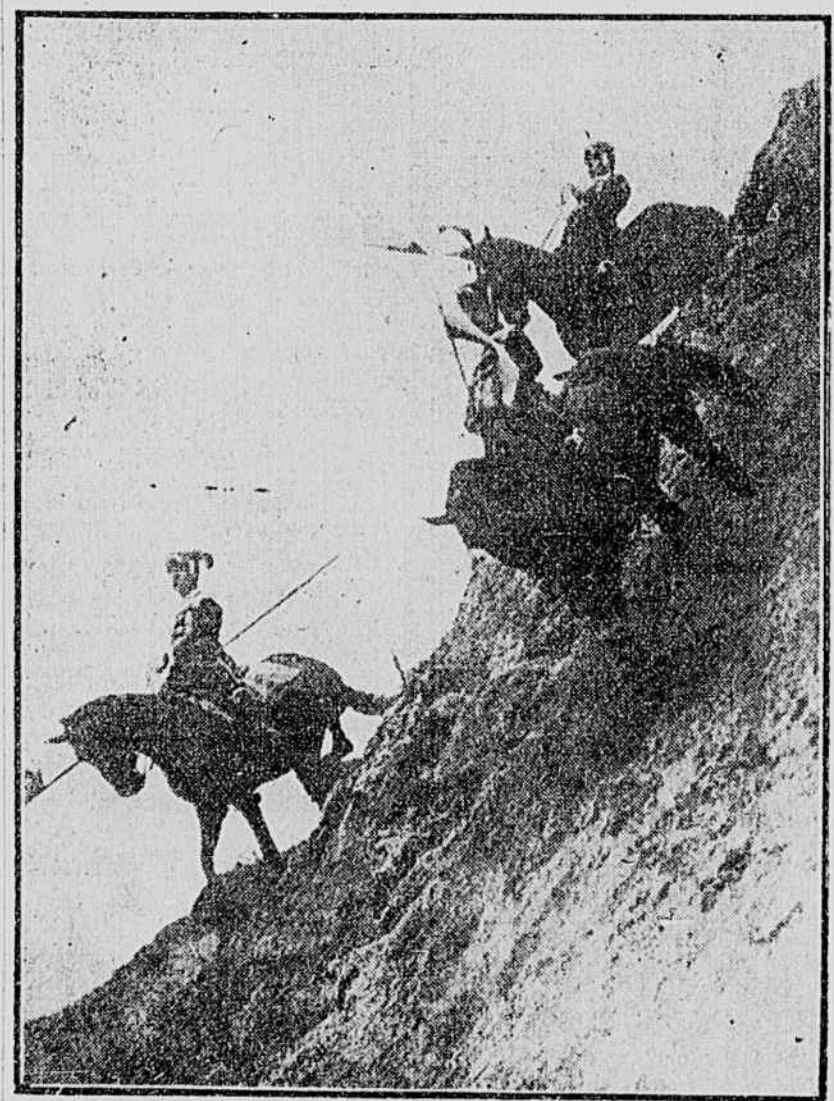
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GERMAN CAVALRY COMING DOWN STEEP MOUNTAINSIDE



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The Doctor's Advice

by Dr. Lewis Baker

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Answer: Those seeking relief from kidney and bladder disorders should begin taking balmwort tablets, a very successful formula sold in sealed tubes with full directions.

Mrs. N. B. R. asks: "I suffer from headache and constipation periodically, and my blood seems too thick, causing languor and tired feeling. I will thank you to prescribe for me."

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